

# *The NY Blending Project Roundtable*

*Building Lasting Partnerships to Bridge Practice / Research Gaps*

*March 15, 2002*





*Goals*

*The New York Blending Project  
Today's Roundtable*

*Introductions*

*Lessons from LA*

*Lessons from NY – What have we heard?,  
Where do we go?, Who are the Partners?  
OASAS, PIC, ASAP, ATTC, BOCES,  
IPDA, Workshops, CTN, others*

*How do we proceed?*

*Organization*

*Communication*

*Collaboration*



- *The overall goal for our two-day Blending Conference is to set the stage to*
  - *expand access to treatment in the community,*
  - *extend the range of treatment approaches,*
  - *improve the quality of treatment, and*
  - *ultimately improve addictions outcomes and costs to society*
- *The primary goal of the New York Blending Project is to capitalize on this opportunity to assure that the Conference leaves a lasting legacy*



- *We need to establish a partnership of interested stakeholders and define an agenda for change*
  - *Blending Conference Planning Committee meetings since February, 2001*
  - *Several smaller Project meetings over past year*
  - *Project Kickoff Roundtable today to establish a lasting forum for communication and to develop of a broad range of collaborative projects*



## *Challenges Ahead*

- *Coalescing a Stakeholders Group*
  - *OASAS, PIC, ASAP, ATTC, BOCES, IPDA, Providers, CTN, others*
- *Setting Realistic Agenda*
- *Coordination and Leadership*
- *Funding*
  - *Leveraging existing funds*
  - *New funds*
- *Communication*